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Irrigation Capacities Generated under MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rs. 56,000 crore was spent approximately during the year 2015-16 under MGNREGS across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise;

(c) whether additional irrigation capacity has been generated under this scheme; and

(d) if so, the details of additional irrigation capacity generated, State/UTwise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a)&(b): State/UT-wise details of the expenditure incurred and liability paid during the FY 2015-16 is given in Annexure.

(c)&(d): Yes, Madam. Following works are being taken up under MGNREGA to increase irrigation capacity:

I. Category: A: PUBLIC WORKS RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT −

(i) Water conservation and water harvesting structures to augment and improve groundwater like underground dykes, earthen dams, stop dams, check dams with special focus on recharging ground water including drinking water sources;

(ii) Watershed management works such as contour trenches, terracing, contour bunds, boulder checks, gabion structures and spring shed development resulting in a comprehensive treatment of a watershed;

(iii) Renovation of traditional water bodies including desilting of irrigation tanks and other water bodies;

II. Category B: COMMUNITY ASSETS OR INDIVIDUAL ASSETS FOR VULNERABLE SECTIONS (ONLY FOR HOUSEHOLDS IN PARAGRAPH 5:

(i) Improving productivity of lands of households specified in Paragraph 5 through land development and by providing suitable infrastructure for irrigation including dug wells, farm ponds and other water harvesting structures;

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